

March 14, 2006

Honorable James H. Welsh  
Commissioner of Conservation  
Department of Natural Resources  
Office of Conservation  
P. O. Box 94275  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9275

RE: Hackberry Sand, Reservoir D  
**STARKS FIELD**  
Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana

Dear Sir:

Application is hereby made on behalf of Crawford Energy Operating Company to the Commissioner of Conservation for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Hackberry Sand, Reservoir D, in the Starks Field, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana.

1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of oil and gas from the Hackberry Sand, Reservoir D, in the Starks Field, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana.
2. To create a single drilling and production unit for this sand and to force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the unit so created.
3. To designate a unit operator and a unit well for the unit so created.
4. To provide that any well drilled outside of the Hackberry Sand, Reservoir D, shall be in accordance with the spacing provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.
5. To provide that the Commissioner may reclassify the reservoir by supplemental order and without the necessity of a public hearing should such reclassification be warranted, based on evidence furnished the Commissioner.
6. To discuss any other matters that may be pertinent to this application.

The Hackberry Sand, Reservoir D, in the Starks Field, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana, is hereby defined as being that oil and gas bearing sand encountered between the depths of 7,630' to 7,646' (electrical log measurements) in the Crawford Energy Operating Company - Walker No. 1 Well (SN 232151) located in Section 14, Township 9 South, Range 13 West, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana.

In addition to furnishing the legal notice to all Interested Parties, the applicant will provide for POSTING of the legal notice of the hearing and unit plat in a prominent place in the area of the Starks Field, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana, and will cause the legal notice of the hearing to be PUBLISHED in a newspaper of general circulation published in the vicinity of the Starks Field, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana, at least fifteen (15) days before the hearing date.

Any pertinent data relating to the subject application can be obtained, **AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY**, from Cambe Geological Services, Inc., 6300 Westpark, Suite 400, Houston, Texas 77057 (713-659-8363).

In compliance with the Rules of Procedure, a preapplication conference was held in Lafayette, Louisiana, on March 9, 2006, at which the parties named on the attached list were in attendance.

The conference was opened with a discussion by Mr. Bill McAlister, representing Crawford Energy Operating Company, concerning the nature and purpose of the conference and the bases for the applicant's proposed unit.

Mr. Stan Warburton, representing the Walker Interests, stated that the applicant's proposal was too large. He suggested either a 120 Acre or 160 Acre Unit centered on the unit well. Differences between the parties have not been resolved and we, therefore, expect this matter to be contested.

There are attached hereto and made a part hereof a plat outlining the proposed unit, the conference attendance list, and a list of the names and addresses of the Interested Owners, Represented Parties, and Interested Parties to whom this application is being sent. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, such list of parties and proposed unit plat (**being the same plat attached to the February 15, 2006 preapplication notice**) are being furnished **ONLY** to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation. However, said plat and the list of parties will be provided to any party requesting copies. A reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

Finally, there is enclosed our check on behalf of the applicant, Crawford Energy Operating Company, in the sum of \$755.00 payable to the Office of Conservation and representing the required hearing application fee.

Sincerely,

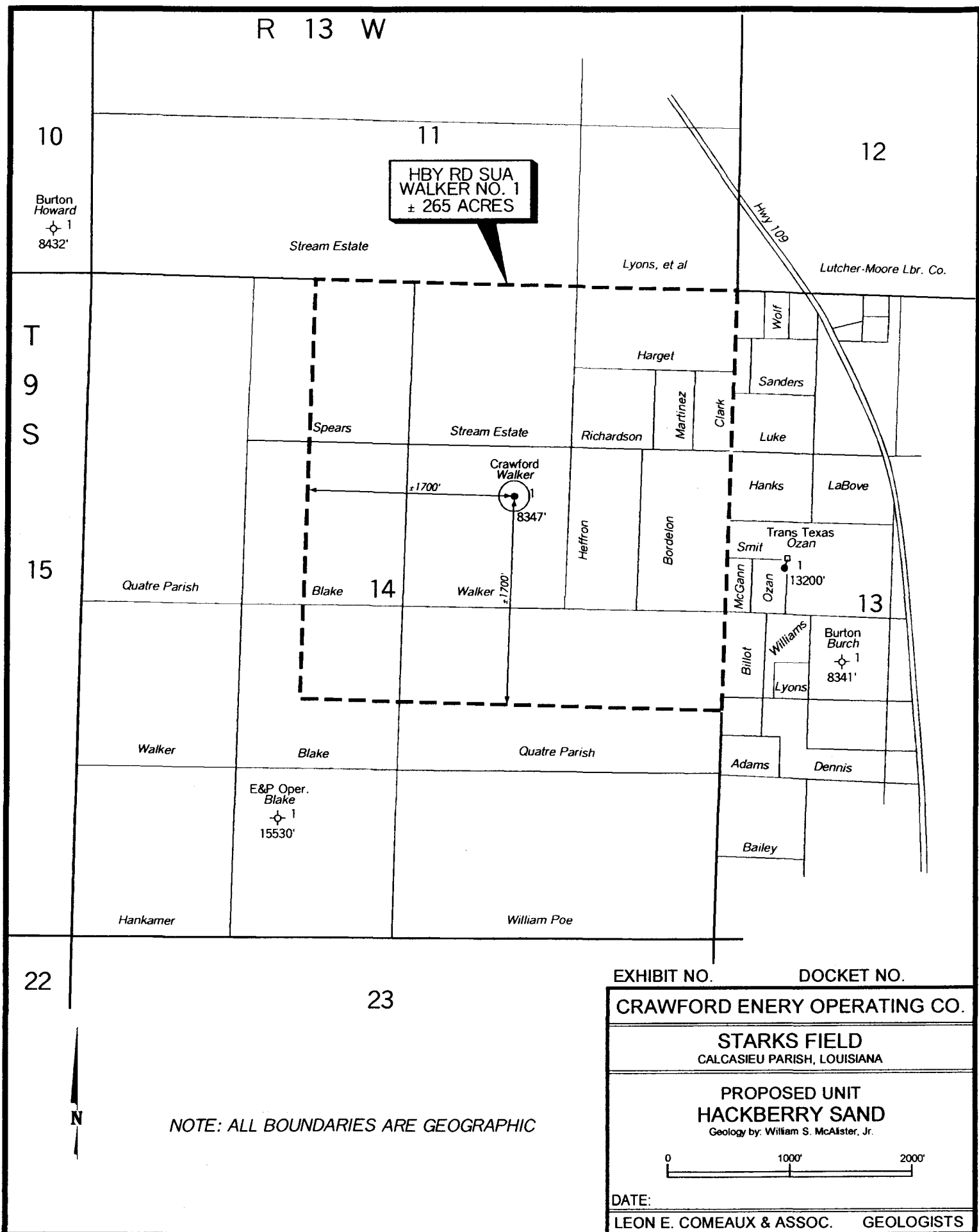
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Bill McAlister

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Enclosures  
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Interested Parties, Interested Owners  
and Represented Parties



R 13 W

10

11

12

Burton  
Howard  
1  
8432'

HBY RD SUA  
WALKER NO. 1  
± 265 ACRES

Stream Estate

Lyons, et al

Lutchter-Moore Lbr. Co.

T  
9  
S

15

Quatre Parish

Spears

Stream Estate

Richardson

Harget

Martinez

Clark

Wolf

Sanders

Luke

Hanks

LaBove

Crawford  
Walker  
1

± 1700'

8347'

Walker

± 1700'

Blake

14

Trans Texas  
Ozan

Smit

1

13200'

McGann

Ozan

13

Williams

Burton  
Burch  
1

8341'

Lyons

Adams

Dennis

Bailey

Quatre Parish

Blake

Walker

E&P Oper.  
Blake  
1  
15530'

William Poe

Hankamer

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EXHIBIT NO.

DOCKET NO.

CRAWFORD ENERY OPERATING CO.

STARKS FIELD

CALCASIEU PARISH, LOUISIANA

PROPOSED UNIT  
HACKBERRY SAND

Geology by: William S. McAister, Jr.

0 1000' 2000'

DATE:

LEON E. COMEAUX & ASSOC. GEOLOGISTS

NOTE: ALL BOUNDARIES ARE GEOGRAPHIC